REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Final Office Action dated February 23, 2010. Claims 1-5 and 8-10 are pending and rejected in this Application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case in view of the following remarks.

Claim Objections

The Examiner objects to Claims 1, 2, 4 and 8-10 based on informalities. Applicants have amended Claims 1, 2, 4 and 8-10 to recite "configured to" based on the suggestion made by the Examiner at Page 2 of the Final Office Action. Favorable action is requested.

Section 103 Rejections

The Examiner rejects Claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Publication No. 2004/0002955 A1 by Gadbois et al. ("Gadbois") in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,200,869 B1 to Hacherl et al. ("Hacherl"). The Examiner rejects Claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0204958 A1 by Perkins et al. ("Perkins") in view of Martinez and further in view of Gadbois. The Examiner rejects Claims 8-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Perkins in view of Hacherl, and further in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0213409 A1 by Murto et al. ("Murto"). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections for the reasons below.

For example, the cited references fail to teach or suggest an "a directory module that implements a Universal Description, Discovery, and Integration (UDDI) registry in a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory," as recited by Claim 1. The Examiner contends that *Gadbois* discloses this limitation. *See Final Office Action*, Pages 3 and 13. *Gadbois* discloses separate registry servers 110 and 120 that may connect to directory servers 150 and 160. *See Gadbois*, Figure 1, paragraph 22. For example, *Gadbois* discloses that a user accesses registry server 130 by sending a message to registry server 130 and "depending on the content of the message, registry server 130 accesses directory server 150." Applicants respectfully submit that a registry that connects to a directory to access information in no way teaches or suggests implementing a UDDI registry in an LDAP directory. *Hacherl*, *Perkins*, *Martinez*, and *Murto* fail to cure this deficiency. Thus, the cited references do not teach or suggest "a directory module that implements a Universal

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Description, Discovery, and Integration (UDDI) registry in a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory."

Similar to Claim 1, Claim 8 includes limitations generally directed to a directory module that implements a UDDI registry in an LDAP directory. For at least those reasons discussed above with regard to Claim 1, Applicants respectfully contend that the cited references do not disclose, teach, or suggest the limitations of Claim 8. For at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully contend that Claims 1 and 8 are patentably distinguishable from the cited references.

Claims 2-5, 9, and 10 each depend, directly or indirectly, from Claims 1 or 8. For at least the reasons above, Applicants respectfully contend that Claims 2-5, 9, and 10 are patentably distinguishable from the cited references.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other apparent reasons, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stand ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Although Applicants believe no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.**

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